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THURSDAY, *March* 15, 1759.

LONDON, *November* 16.

By the Packet of this Day's Importation, under arrival at Sandwich Evening last, we have the following Account of the Loss of three Ships in Margate Road, in the County of Kent, in October.

THAT on October 26, they spoke with a Vessel 26 Leagues from Cape Clear, and that Night a hard Gale of Wind coming on, they were parted from their Convoys, the Prince Edward and Lord Anson. At Seven A. M. of the 29th, it blowing hard, and being then in Lat. 52 : 44 N. and not above 19 Leagues to the Westward of the Land, the Captain, having the Approbation of his first and second Officers, bore away for the River Shannon, steering S. E. as that Course would carry him into the Lat. 52 : 24', or 52 : 25 : by Noon, which is the Latitude that River is laid down in. At Half past Ten saw the Land; at Noon, by a good Observation, Lat. 52 : 18 : N. stood in till Two o'Clock, and then discovered that the Entrance of the River must be erroneously laid down, as by the Form of the Land in Sight, it must be Tralee Bay, which is (by the Draught) the Point immediately to the S. W. of the Mouth of Shannon: Upon this Discovery, and the Pilot answering a Signal, were, and took in the Topsails, with Intent of standing in all Night. At Half past Two saw a Vessel standing down to us under English Colours, order'd all Hands to Quarters, and fired a Gun to Leeward, upon which he came close under our Stern, and told us he was come from London, bound to Limerick. Upon the Captain's asking him if he was well acquainted with the River, and would undertake to Pilot him in, he answered, 'Fear nothing, and follow me, I will carry you in with Safety.' From this Time he behaved in every Respect as a Man who had Charge as a Pilot, making an easy Sail, and very carefully observing our Motions, at the same Time we could see his Land-Line going along. The Captain of the York found all the while on the Forecastle, giving the necessary Orders, and directing the Ship immediately after the other, to whom he again spoke with, and he also pursuing pretty much the same Qualities as formerly, asked him if he would make a Signal some Time before he came to, and if it should fall dark, if he would show him a Light; both which he promised he would. The York was then under a double Reef Foresail, and Reef Mizen-Topsail; the other Vessel under a Foresail before the Wind. Depth of Water fifteen Fathoms; when the strange Vessel clewing up her Topsail all at once, let go her Anchor; upon which the Captain called out to clew up our Topsails, let run the Halliards, and let go the Anchor; but as the Ship immediately struck, he reflecting that if the Anchor was let go, it might be a Means of bulging her, called out, Avast the Anchor; and so by hauling, the Vessel came up to the Wind, he ordered to hawk the Sails. In Hopes of that bearing her off. After the Finesse for the Captain of the other Ship (whom we now perceived was a Ground also) that he might give us an Account of the exact Place where we were, and answer for his Conduct in this Affair, with Orders to get from him what Boats he might have, to assist us. Upon the return of our Boat with the Master of the Vessel, he informed us, 'That he had been at Cape Rosier, where he had received French Prisoners for Rochelle, where he delivered them, and got forty Irishmen in return; that off Scilly, on his Way for Plymouth, they secured him and those of his People who would join them, some Pistols out of his Vessel, and threatened several Times to shoot him, unless he would carry them to Ireland, that at last refusing to go that Course, and telling them he was a Master of a Merchant Vessel, determined to run a Shore if we proved to be Enemies, they then threatened to shoot him, and at last compelled him to go a Course for the Shannon. After discovering how the Land lay, he followed us close as they dictated to him; which was the unhappy Cause of our Misfortune.

The Captain, with the greatest Calmness and Presence of Mind, gave all the necessary Orders; such as getting out an Anchor before the Tide made, to heave her a Stern, &c. and after the Ship'd and filled (which was about 12 o'Clock, the not making above 18 Inches Water before that Time) for cutting away the Masts, to prevent her going to pieces, encouraging the People with regard to their Safety, and assuring them he would stay by them to the very last; which he did until Day-light; when he called them, and asked them if they had any Objection to his endeavouring to Land here, and look out for Assistance and Security for them; they all answered him 'to do as he pleased; he was their Captain, and his Orders should be obeyed; whoever he called into the Boat should go, and none else.' In short, never was any Captain more beloved by his Ship's Company than he; and his Conduct was greatly the Means of saving the Lives of his own People, and those of the other Vessel, not a Man of either being lost; tho' it is feared little or none of the Cargo will be saved.

It may be worth the Observation of Gentlemen who have the Charge of Ships, to take Notice, that tho' Maharee Bay extends upwards of 3 Leagues, yet it is not laid down at all in the Draught; by which Means the Mouth of the River Shannon is laid down in Lat. 52 : 24 : N. whereas it lies in Lat. 52 : 36 : N. or thereabouts.

November 24. We hear that the nine India Ships lately arrived, have brought of different Sorts of Tea, 2,795,130 Pounds.

Friday there was a Meeting of the Agents of the Captors of Dutch Ships having contraband Goods on board, at which it was resolved, to make Application to the Government that the said Captures might be prosecuted with Vigour, as an effectual Means of reducing the Enemy, and preventing the Execution of their Designs against this Kingdom.

The happy Adventure, Captain Repham, from Leghorn for London, last from Scilly, laden with Silk and Sundries, is arrived in Mounts Bay; and brings an Account, that the Gracia Divina struck on a sunk Rock some Distance from that Island; Twenty-nine Men escaped in the Long-Boat; Fifty Men were left on board, who perished. The Ship was immediately beat in Pieces, and little or nothing saved. Her Cargo consisted of 150 Butts of Currants, 64 Bales of Silk, 70 Bags of Cochineal, and between 30 and 40,000 Pounds Sterling in Dollars.

An Account of a Shower of black Dust that fell in the Island of Zetland, on the 20th of October 1755, by Mr. William Brown, Master of the Grammar-School in Scalloway, in that Country.

Mr. Brown relates, "That between three and four o'Clock in the Afternoon, the Sky being hazy, as it used to be before a Storm of Thunder and Lightning, there fell a Dust all over the Country like Lamp-Black, which blacked the Faces, Hands and Linen of all that were out in the Fields, and had a strong sulphurous Smell; it was supposed at first to proceed from an Irruption of Mount Hecla in Ireland, distant about 600 Miles, but the Wind blew from a contrary Quarter." This Account is confirmed by several other Persons of good Credit, and was communicated to the Royal Society by Sir Andrew Mitchell, Bart. of Westhorpe.

ST. JOHN's (in ANTIGUA) *January* 27.

On Thursday last Captain John Tilbos, of the sloop Pelham, arrived here from Barbadoes, and by him we learn, that 250 Highlanders were arrived there from Greenock, besides the 700 formerly mentioned in this Paper; and that 7 Transports, with all the Highlanders on board, sail'd from thence the 20th Instant, under Convoy of his Majesty's Ship Rye. Capt. Deering, in Order to join the Fleet.

Capt. Tilbos fell in with the Race of Guadeloupe on Tuesday Morning, and the Transactions he afterwards observed are continued in what follows:

Extract from Capt. Tilbos's Journal.

"On Tuesday the 23d Instant, at Half an Hour past 8 o'Clock A. M. discovered the English Fleet off the S. E. End of Guadeloupe; they extended from a Point a little to the S. E. of Basseterre, as far as the Isles of Saints, and some of the Ships were close under the Shore. Basseterre then bore from me about N. E. distant 5 Leagues.

"At a Quarter past 10 a Smoke ascended from the Town of Basseterre, which I imagined was occasioned by a Bomb.—And a Quarter of an Hour afterwards I heard a very smart Cannonading: Most of the Ships of War were at this Time close in Shore off Basseterre, and the Transports were some to Leeward, and some to Windward, but not far distant.——The Fire from the Ships, and from the Enemy's Batteries, was extremely smart.

"At 11 o'Clock several Smokes arose, which, I suppose, proceeded from the Shells thrown from the Bombs. I fell in with a shot-away Bowsprit and several Pieces of Wreck, which from the Wind and Tide, I imagine drifted from Martinico.——At 35 Minutes past 11, a Ship sailed close to Windward of me, but not within Hail; I supposed her to be the Buckingham; she was standing to the S. E. with the Wind at E. N. E. And endeavouring by all possible Means to join the Fleet.

"At 12 o'Clock the Enemy's Fire abated on the Northward of the Town; but the fourth most Battery, which I take to be the Grand one, fell fired smartly; and our Ships made the Electrical Flake.——At this Time I had tacked, and Basseterre bore N. E. distant 5 Leagues.

"In the Afternoon, the Wind at E. N. E. and my Course S. E. At Half an Hour past One, the Ship I took to be the Buckingham tacked and stood to the Northward, making the best of her Way at N. E. and by E. The Cannonading continued till Two o'Clock to the Southward of Basseterre, but whether from the Enemies Batteries or our Ships I cannot judge, but conjecture the latter. At Half past Two I tacked and stood to the Northward, Basseterre then bearing N. E. and by N. distant 3 Leagues. At this Time the Cannonading ceased at Intervals, and believe, by the Dissipation of Smoke, the Town has been bombarded and silenced. The Transports also are bearing down in Line, which makes me imagine the Troops are going to Land.——The Ship I take to be the Buckingham bears S. W. Half W. distant 2 Leagues, sails heavily.

"At Half past Three the Transports tacked and stood to the S. E. in a Line. I have Reason to believe the St. George is disabled in her Foremast, as she has only Stay-sails set forward.——The Commodore's Ship bears E. N. E. distant 3 Leagues, and the Town of Basseterre E. N. E. distant 12 Leagues.——Fifteen Minutes afterwards Basseterre bore N. E. and by E. distant 11 Leagues. At this Time the Grand Battery fired very briskly, and also the Ships. The principal Part of the Transports stood to the Northward under the Shore of Basseterre.——A Quarter past 6, spoke to the Lyon Man of War, her Mainstopsail Yard in the Top, Topsail unbent, and several Shots through her Sails. At Half an Hour past Six, the Cannonading and Bombarding was very smart; and at Half an Hour past 9, saw a large Fire, which I imagine to be the Town in Flames; and at 10, heard several Volleys of Small-Arms on Shore, which I supposed to be the Troops Landing. The Cannonading and Bombarding still continued. The Ship I suppose to be the Buckingham sails heavily, but all along makes the best of her Way, and I suppose will get up to the Fleet this Evening.

"The Fire in the Town was not extinguished at 8 o'Clock the next Morning. On the 25th, at 2 o'Clock (the Point to the Northward of the Bay then bearing E. by S. distant 1 Leagues) saw a Ship to Windward with her Larboard Tacks aboard, standing to the Southward, distant about 2 Leagues. At Noon Antigua bore N. 5 E. distant 5 Leagues.

had few large Smoke at Guadaloupe. At 3 in the Afternoon fell in with it Bergantine, who gave us a Shot; but shewed no Colours, and Half an Hour afterwards the easterly in and Wake and gave Chase, but she out-sailed her, and at 5 the next Morning anchored under the Fort at St. Johnston's Point."

Yesterday Morning Capt. John Leacraft, of the Privateer Betsey Jane, arrived here from Guadaloupe, and by him we learn the following further Particulars of the Attack at Basseterre, viz.

"That after a very smart Cannonading on Monday Afternoon, and all the Day on Tuesday, the Bombs continued to throw Shells all the Night, being directed by the Flashes of the Guns on the Enemy's Batteries; and on Wednesday Morning the Enemy's Batteries were found to be almost wholly destroyed, and two Thirds of the Town burnt by the Shells: That about 3 o'Clock on Wednesday Afternoon the Troops landed in excellent Order, and with such Ardour, that they had not Patience to let the Boats strike the Beach, but jumped into the Water as soon as they came to a fordable Depth, their only Care being to keep their Muskets and Ammunition dry. It is said that the Detachment from the 38th Regiment were the first that entered the Grand Battery; that they drove the Enemy from the Entrenchments behind it, blew up the Magazine, and took Possession thereof, without the Loss of a Man. That all the Batteries and the Town were in the Hands of the English in a very little Time, the Enemy flying in very great Disorder to the Mountains.——The Crews of several Privateers took the Opportunity of Landing with the Troops, in Order to Plunder the Town; but every Thing they got was, with great Justice, seized by the Boats belonging to the Ships of War, and several of the People belonging to the Privateers detained, which were found actually plundering.

"Capt. Leacraft left the Fleet on Wednesday Evening, at which Time our Troops were in Possession of every Battery of Consequence in Guadaloupe, and it was reported they were to march the next Day in Order to dislodge the Enemy from the Mountains. The Number of Troops landed Capt. Leacraft computes at 6000. Our Loss in this Attack he says was very trifling, and the only Damage he could perceive the Ships had sustained was in two or three Topmasts. He also says that several of the Enemy were come down from the Mountains, and surrendered themselves Prisoners, and that the Sailors were employed in carrying the Guns on the Batteries aboard the Ships.

Last Night a Sloop laden with lumber, and To-day a Ship, said to have 60 Hogsheads of Sugar on board, arrived here from Guadaloupe.——They were cut out of Basseterre on Tuesday last by the Privateer Fly, Capt. William Lesly, together with another Sloop in Ballast, which Capt. Lesly has kept with him at Guadaloupe. The People in the Prize report, that the Commodore permitted Capt. Lesly to bring these Vessels away as a Reward for the Services he did in the Fleet as a Pilot. They also say, that about 250 white Men and 3 or 400 Negroes, had come in and surrendered themselves Prisoners.

On Thursday last the Nimble Ninepence, a very small Privateer Boat, belonging to this Place, brought in a Brig, in Ballast, which she took off Guadaloupe. This Vessel formerly belonged to the English, but had been taken by the Enemy, and sold by them to the Dutch, and when the English Fleet appeared off Basseterre, pushed out, in order to run down to St. Eustatia.

Yesterday Morning arrived here the Brig St. Patrick, Capt. Briscoe, she sailed from Liverpool for Louisburg, but meeting with contrary Winds bore away for New-York, and was also blown off that Coast, and obliged to stand for the West-Indies, where she arrived, after being 18 Weeks at Sea.

The Snow Ellen, from —— to this Place, was taken the 15th Instant, but as she could not get into Guadaloupe before Thursday last, it is possible she may be retaken.

January 31. The Privateer Fly arrived here on Saturday Afternoon from Guadaloupe, under the Command of her first Lieutenant Mr. Cary, Capt. Lesly having staid with the Fleet. She left Basseterre on Friday Morning, at which Time our Troops were in quiet Possession of the Town and the Ruins of all the Batteries in its Neighbourhood; and all the Ships were at an Anchor in Basseterre Bay, except three Frigates, which were cruising round the Island, and four Men of War, which were sent at Martinico, to cruise off St. Pierre and Port-Royal.

Mr. Cary says he landed with the Troops on Martinico, that he had an Opportunity of observing what passed on Shore; and gives the following Account thereof, viz.

About 7000 Men were landed near Polace des Negroes, in Martinico, without any Interruption from the Enemy, who in a very little Time had thrown up a good Intrenchment, and mounted 9 Field Pieces on it. Some Time after this the Enemy, to the Amount of 4 or 5000 Men, came from towards Fort-Royal, and made a Shew of attacking our Troops, but the first Fire put them into Disorder, which the Highlanders took the Advantage of, by attacking them Sword in Hand; and they being supported by the Rest of the Troops, the Enemy fled in very great Confusion, and were pursued several Miles, till at last, there was not a Frenchman to be seen for some Miles round. The Loss of the Enemy amounted to 3 or 400 Men; ours was only about 30 Highlanders, and 10 or 12 belonging to the other Regiments.—The Troops remained ashore 24 Hours without any further Interruption from, or Appearance of, the Enemy, and at last were ordered by the General to re-imbark, for Reasons which Mr. Cary could not guess at or learn, either in the Army or the Fleet.

Capt. Fazakerly, in a Letter of Marque Brig, and Capt. Rains, in a Sloop for this Place, fell in with a French Frigate to Leeward of Saba, in the Night of the 22d Instant, but got away from her, after receiving one Broadside.——Capt. Rains put into St. Eustatia, and was there the 23d Instant, when four Vessels, laden with Provisions, &c. and two French Privateers, sailed from thence for Guadaloupe.——N. B. Other Accounts from Leeward say, the Provision Vessels were met by two English Privateers off Nevis and obliged to put back to St. Eustatia.

"The Antigallican Privateer, belonging to this Place, and a Brig of 16 Guns, belonging to Liverpool, have been taken by the French Frigate; she was bound to Old France.

Capt. Richards, of the Privateer Lion, left Guadaloupe Yesterday, and arrived here this Morning. Capt. Richards sunk two French Privateers at the Hay in Guadaloupe, and destroyed the Place. He left the Troops in quiet Possession of Basseterre, and the Country round it, but does not know they had marched to attack the Enemy; however, Accounts from St. Kitts say they had.

Extract of a Letter from an Officer in the Fleet commanded by Commodore Moore.

S t R, Basseterre, Guadaloupe, Jan. 25.

"The Bristol was the first Ship that anchored at Martinico; and that was (by Capt. Lesly's Orders) within Pistol-shot of a Battery of Two and Thirty Pounders, which she silenced in a few Minutes, and hoisted an English Flag on it, without the Loss of a Man. All this was but a Feint; for we were intended for this Place, which we now have in Possession. I had the Honour of being the third Man in the Fort, and first on the Walls. We hoisted English Colours before Sun-set.——Capt. Lesly has been a Father to me. He always says he must be brought within Pistol-shot, or it will not do. I hope to send you a further Account in a few Days. Captain Schuldham behaved with great Courage, and engaged the whole Day. The Fort has 52 Guns; every Man behaved well; otherwise we should not have come off as we have, and in such great Spirits."

February 3.

Extract of a Letter from Mr. James King, late Master of the Snow London, bound from Glasgow to Antigua, dated Martinico, January the 22d, 1759.

"I take this Opportunity of acquainting you of my Misfortune, in being brought in here the 15th Instant by two Privateers. The 13th at Night, I fell in with a Schooner of 8 Guns, 10 Swivels and 103 Men, and beat her off twice. About 2 in the Morning fell in with a Sloop of 6 Guns, 10 Swivels, and 75 Men, both of which we kept off till Morning; our Shot being then almost expended, and both being ready to board us, I was obliged to strike. On my Arrival here I found the Island invested, and they marched us, with all the Prisoners, immediately out of Town, and for four Days marched us 20 Miles a Day through the Country, and on the 20th marched us into Town again, and confined us in a Dungeon, where I now am; our Food is Bread and Water, and that but little of. The Lord knows when we will be relieved. As to any other Particulars, I know nothing.

On Thursday last his Majesty's Sloop Antigua, Wilson Marlo, Esq; Commander, brought in a Schooner laden with Sugar, Coffee, &c. and bound to St. Eustatia from Port Louis in Guadaloupe, from whence she sailed under Convoy of a French Privateer of 12 Guns, who made her escape.

Yesterday the Privateer Ship Success, Captain M'Pherson, brought in a Brig from Leeward laden with Sugar, Coffee, &c. bound from Guadaloupe to the Place from whence she sailed. All the People, including the Captain, were taken out of her, and sent to Martinico. Capt. Hands [except a Passenger and 2 Foreigners] were carried off by the Enemy. She is laden with Cotton, Sugar, &c.

Last Night also arrived a Brig laden with Sugar, &c. a Prize to His Majesty's Ship Rochester. The Prize-Master is not yet come ashore; but he says he had a Gentleman also aboard with him, that the French had 200 Men killed, and 100 taken Prisoners, in a Skirmish which happened at Guadaloupe on Thursday Morning.

NEW YORK, *February 26.*

Extract of a Letter from St. Eustatia, Jan. 19.

"As previous we are in a most miserable Situation, in regard to our Trade; such was then if we were actually in a War with the English, they now take all our Vessels from Antigua and Montserrat, and condemn them without the least Hesitation, the same as they would any French man; and ete us which would [for they will not allow the Sailors to have any Provisions, not even to buy on Board one single Horn after they are brought into Port. What will be the Event of these Things, Time will shew; I heartily wish we had an honourable Peace. I am, &c.

PHILADELPHIA, *March 7.*

The Privateer Ship Spry, Capt. Spring of this Port, has sent into Providence, the following Vessels, A French Dane loaded with Sugar and Coffee, the Fair-Lady, a Dane, loaded with Fish; and the Vrow Andonia, a Dane loaded with Sugar, which were all condemned; also the Elizabeth, a Dane loaded with Sugar, which would also be condemned.

Extract of a Letter from Antigua, dated January 31.

"We have had the following Account from the Fleet and Army, viz. That the Army was safely landed at Martinico; that the Ships of War had destroyed four or five Batteries or Forts, that lay betwixt Fort-Royal and St. Pierre's; that all of a sudden the Forces were re-imbarked, and proceeded to Guadaloupe, where the whole of the Army arrived the 23d; that at Nine o'Clock in the Morning they began to fire on the Citadel Battery, and Town of Basseterre with great Fury, that the French had behaved bravely for the thirty Hours, but that they were then obliged to abandon the Citadel, Forts and Town, and retire into the Body of the Island; that our People were landed without the Loss of a Man; and possessed themselves of all the Fortifications, and Town, where a dreadful Havock ensued by the Fire of the Ships and Bombs. No Men ever behaved better than the Captains, Officers and Men of the Men of War, they have suffered very little either in Ships or Men, not having had above 40 killed and 45 wounded, and have done every Thing that could be expected from them, more than those that could not have been hoped for. The Attempt on the Citadel by Sea was always esteemed impracticable by the French; but to their Amazement they were soon convinced of the contrary, for at Three o'Clock in the Afternoon of the 23d, the English Flag was flying, our Land Forces are very healthy, and in great Spirits, and we daily expect to hear of all the Islands surrendering; I think it is improbable they can hold out above fourteen Days."

In another Letter from Antigua, dated the 5th of February, it is said,

"Our Forces landed at Martinico, made a Feint, and then reimbarked, with the Loss of about 60 Men; they immediately proceeded to Guadaloupe, where they have succeeded hitherto, having taken and destroyed all the Batteries in or about Basseterre, and are now marching into the Country towards a Fortress called the Blondon, distant 10 Leagues, and I make not the least Doubt but the Expedition will be crowned with Success, the French have declared, they will not surrender or capitulate, while they have a Man left. The Defence they have made far surpasses my Expectations."

Extract of a Letter from Captain Mitchell Cornell, To a Gentleman at his Country-seat.

"I take this Opportunity of congratulating you upon the Reduction of the Town and Fortifications of Basseterre, in the Island of Guadaloupe, which were taken by our Army on the 23d of January, after an obstinate Resistance. We did not lose many Men in the Action, that the Ships suffered much is true. Hollis, Marlo, and Harding, of the General Pitt,

which was above the Town, and from Dieppe from the Westward, and mounted with 64 large Guns, of Calibre. The rest of the Squadron, consisting of Frigates and Bomb-Vessels, were sent to cruize off the Harbour, to prevent the Escape of the Inhabitants by Sea, and to intercept any Succours that might be sent them. The Troops, being landed, were divided into two Bodies, the one of which, under the Command of Brigadier Monckton, marched to the Westward of the Town, and the other, under the Command of Brigadier Murray, to the Eastward, in order to invest it by Land. The Troops were no sooner landed, than they began to erect Batteries against the Town, and the Fleet, at the same time, began to cannonade it by Sea. The Enemy, finding that they could not hold out long against the Attacks that were carried on both by Sea and Land, and that the Fleet was preparing to storm the Town, set Fire to their Magazine, and retired into the Citadel, which they blew up, and then capitulated. By the Articles of Capitulation, the Garrison, consisting of about 5000 Men, were to be carried to France, and the Inhabitants were to remain in Possession of their Effects, and enjoy the Exercise of their Religion. The Loss of the Enemy, during the Siege, is computed to be about 1000 Men, killed and wounded; and that of the English to be about 600. The Garrison, at the Time of the Capitulation, consisted of 3000 Men, besides Sailors and Marines. The Number of Guns found in the Place, amounted to 120, besides Mortars. The Fleet, after the Reduction of the Town, sailed to the Westward, in order to attack Belleisle.

Extract of a Letter from Antigua, February 9.

"Our Fleet, in all at Guadaloupe, where they have taken 60 Sail of Ships, and destroyed a good Part of the Country; and as our Troops continue in good Spirits, we hope the whole Island will soon be obliged to surrender, as they have hitherto (at the Distance) been very moderate. Our Privateers continue plundering, and are almost every Day bringing in Negroes, Cattle, &c. into all the Islands. As to Martinico, Capt. Tyrrell is gone Express to England, for the Bonetta Sloop of War, from whence we shall, in a proper Time, expect Men and Ships of Force, sufficient to reduce that and the rest of the French Islands, if not intirely subdued; till which Time we cannot think ourselves safe."

Extract of another Letter from St. Christophers, dated February 14, 1759.

"Our Fleet is still at Guadaloupe, where they have taken 60 Sail of Ships, and destroyed a good Part of the Country; and as our Troops continue in good Spirits, we hope the whole Island will soon be obliged to surrender, as they have hitherto (at the Distance) been very moderate. Our Privateers continue plundering, and are almost every Day bringing in Negroes, Cattle, &c. into all the Islands. As to Martinico, Capt. Tyrrell is gone Express to England, for the Bonetta Sloop of War, from whence we shall, in a proper Time, expect Men and Ships of Force, sufficient to reduce that and the rest of the French Islands, if not intirely subdued; till which Time we cannot think ourselves safe."

The following is a List of the Ships taken by Captain [illegible] of the Dreadnought, in the Expedition against Martinico, viz.

A French Privateer Sloop, of 8 Guns, and 50 Men, from Martinico, bound to [illegible].

An American Privateer Sloop, of 6 Guns and 36 Men, from and for St. Christophers.

Two Schooners and one Sloop, all Dutch-built, from St. Eustatia, as Advices, with Provisions, &c. for Martinico.

A French Sloop, of 10 Guns, from Martinico, bound to Guadaloupe, with Coffee and Cocoa.

A Sloop from St. Christophers, bound to Martinico, laden with Sugar and Coffee.

And two from St. Christophers.

ANNAPOLIS, March 15, 1759.

Friday last, his Excellency our Governor was pleased to appoint Thursday the 26th Day of April next for the Meeting of the Assembly of this Province, to which Time the General Court is adjourned.

Next Day his Excellency set out for Philadelphia, and is not expected Home again 'till the 1st of the Month.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC VENDUE,

On Wednesday the 18th of April next, at Mr. Clark's in the Afternoon, at Mr. Samuel Middleton's, in Annapolis, for the Benefit of the Captors,

THE Schooner PATIENCE, a prime Sailer, and will carry 2000 Bushels of Grain, with her Apparel and Furniture, now Standing and running Rigging complete, two Cables, two Anchors, some spare Rope and Spare Yards, Glib and Flying Gibb, Foresail, Spritsail, Spritsail Gaff Topsail, Mainsail and Mainstaysail, Gaff Topsail, Ring tail and Waistail, a Bonnet for the Foresail, and another for the Glib; Standing Cabbins, Boat, Sails, and other Stores, a new Cable, also, a Quantity of good Bacon, Bread, and Rice.

March 8, 1759.

FOR BARBADOS,

The Brigantine ARSON,

HENRY COBLIN, Master,

NOW lying at Charlestown, in Cecil County, will sail in about three Weeks, having two Thirds of her Cargo engaged.

For Freight or Passage apply to Mr. Zachariah Hood in Annapolis, Mr. Joseph Baker in Charlestown, or the said Master on Board.

St. Mary's County, February 17, 1759.

WHEREAS I have, by Virtue of his Lordship's writ of Fieri Facias to me directed, and according to the Directions of the Act of Assembly in that Case lately made and provided, seized on, and appraised, two Tracts of Land holden by Lease, under the Lord Proprietary, the one called Partners, containing 108 Acres; the other called The Three Graves, containing 138 Acres; for the Use of the Commissioners, or Trustees, of the Loan-Office, which have since the 16th Day of October 1756, been the Property of Jonathan Neale, who still remains the Possessor thereof. This is therefore to give Notice, that the said Lands will be exposed to Sale, for the Use of the above Commissioners, or Trustees, on the 6th Day of April next.

£5 5/0 £1 JOHN EDES, Sheriff.

WHOEVER received from on board the Dove Williams, Capt. William Bradford, a Box of Merchandize, marked I M. No. 1, containing one Copper Plate-Warmer, one Chocolate Pot, Tea Kettle, and a Coffee Pot, is desired to give Information thereof to Capt. Henry Carroll, living on Patuxent River, or to the Subscriber in Baltimore-Town, and oblige

Their humble Servant,

JOHN MOALE.

PHILIP SYNG,

BRASS-FOUNDER, from PHILADELPHIA,

Living near the Potash Gate, in ANNAPOLIS,

MAKES (or Repairs) all Sorts of Brass-Work, such as Candlesticks, Heads or Knobs of all Sizes for Shovels, Dogs, &c. Furniture for Desks and Chests of Drawers, Knockers for Doors, Boxes for Carriages, Mill Brasses for Saw or Grist Mills, Plate-Warmers, &c. Likewise, He makes Pumps of all Sizes; and gives the best Prices for old Brass and Copper.

N. B. Chocolate, Coffee and Saddlers to be paid for duly.

March 13, 1759.

DESERTED from Capt. John Lamb's Recruiting Party, at Annapolis, on Monday last, the 12th Instant, Two Soldiers, viz.

John Smith, Born in Ireland, a Labourer, aged 18 Years, 5 Feet 5 Inches and a half high, fresh Complexion, dark brown Hair, grey Eyes, had on Cloth Breeches, Brown Waistcoat, a Black one underneath it, and a white Cap.

Maxwell Swain, Born on the same Island, a Labourer, aged 19 Years of Age, 5 Feet 6 Inches and a half high, fresh Complexion, brown Hair, grey Eyes, had on Cloth Breeches, Brown Waistcoat, a Black one underneath it, and a white Cap.

They are inspected to be harboured by their Friends.

Whoever brings the said Deserters to Lieutenant Hargrove, Baltimore, of the said Regiment, at Annapolis, or to Baltimore-Town, or secures them in any Gaol within this Province, shall have Twenty Shillings Sterling Reward for each, paid by

HARRINGTON HARROW.

March 15, 1759.

RAN away last Sunday Night from the Subscriber's Plantation, near Mr. Richard Snowden's Iron Works, in Anne-Arundel County, the following Convict Servant Men, viz.

John Blanford, born in the West of England, is a lusty well-set Man, about 25 Years of Age, wears a brown cut Wig, the First Joint of the Fore Finger of his Left Hand has lately been cut off, which obliges him to wear a Finger-Stall. Had on a white Cotton under Jacket, and Breeches of the same, and a blue Pea Jacket over it, and old Country made Shoes and Stockings.

Thomas Smith, born in England, he is a lusty well-set Man, has short red Hair, but may wear a Wig, is about the same Age, and his Apparel near the same as Blanford's.

John Tufley, born in the West of England, he is a slim Man, about 5 Feet 6 Inches high. His Apparel is near the same as the others.

Whoever takes up and secures the said Servants, so that their Master may have them again, shall have Twenty Shillings Reward for each, paid by

THOMAS RUTLAND.

STOLEN from Mr. William Neale's Plantation, seated Upper-Marlborough, on the 14th of February last, a middle-siz'd dark colour'd Horse, has a Star in his Forehead, one hind Foot white, branded on the off Buttock with the Letters G M, trots and gallops well.

Whoever brings the said Horse, and delivers him on the aforesaid Plantation, shall receive a Pistole Reward.

RICH. BERRY.

READING, WRITING, and ARITHMETIC, Taught by an experienced Master, at Mr. Fleming's House near Bowers Ferry, in Anne-Arundel County, where due Attendance will be constantly given, by

Their humble Servant,

JOHN GUERRETT.

THERE is at the Plantation of Dunbar Colebaugh, in Baltimore County, taken up as a Stray, a Bay Mare, branded on the near Shoulder with the Letter M, and on the near Buttock with the Letter K.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

THERE is at the Plantation of Solomon Wheeler, in Baltimore County, taken up as a Stray, a large Strawberry Roan Mare, not branded, 13 hand before, and dock'd.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

THERE is at the Plantation of John Bell, junior, near Gunpowder Falls in Baltimore County, taken up as a Stray, a middle sized Sorrel Pacing Bay Mare, has a Star in her Forehead, and a Bell on, with a Rope round her Neck, no Brand perceivable.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

THERE is at the Plantation of John Goodwin, at South-River, taken up as a Stray, a Bay Mare, above 14 Hands high, and has a small Saddle Spot on her Back, has her Mane roll'd, no perceivable Brand: And a Black Colt about a Year old.

The Owner may have them upon his proving Property, and paying Charges.

Charles County, February 24, 1759.

BY virtue of an Act of Assembly of this Province, entitled, *An Act directing the Conveyance of Lands, Tenements, and Hereditaments, taken in Execution, and all Writs relative to Lands, for the future, and for other Purposes therein mentioned*, and to me directed, I do hereby give Notice, That on the last Saturday of *March* next, I shall expose to Sale to the Highest Bidder, *(according to Law, Custom and Usage)* at the Mansion House of *John Gwinn* at *Lower Cedar-Point*, as the Property of *John Gwinn* and *William Middleton*,

The following Tracts of Land, *viz.*

Wicomico Fields, *Borough Hall*, *Robert and Hardly*, containing { 200 / 500 / 500 } Acres.

Which Three Tracts are situate, lying, and being in *William and Mary* Parish, in the County aforesaid, and in the Tenure and Occupation of *Edmund Jenifer Gwinn*.

Martin's Friendship, containing 75 Acres, situate and being in *Durham* Parish in the County aforesaid, in the Tenure and Occupation of *Robert Hardy Gwinn*.

Partner's Purchase, containing 126 Acres, situate, lying, and being in *William and Mary* Parish, and now in the Tenure and Occupation of *John Hungerford*.

Thompson Town, containing 300 Acres, situate, lying, and being in *Portobacco* Parish, and now in the Tenure and Occupation of *Walter Hanson*.

JOHN FENDALL, Sheriff of *Charles* County.

JOHN INCH, *Annapolis*,

HAVING lately procured an excellent Workman from *London*, Carries on his Business at his Shop near the Inspection-House in *Annapolis*, and performs any Plate-Work, either small or large in the best and most fashionable Manner, at the cheapest Rates. He also Enamels Rings for Mourning.

To be Disposed of by the said *Inch*, the Time of a *Dutch* Servant Man, that has above Six Years to serve, and who understands Tanning and Currying.

He has likewise to sell, Ten Proved good Swivel Guns (planted near his House ever since the News of the Surrender of Fort *Duquesne*) with a Quantity of Shot to fit them.

For CHARLES-TOWN, In SOUTH-CAROLINA,

The SCHOONER *DOLPHIN*,
EDMUND RUTLAND,
MASTER.

SHE is a prime Sailer, has good Accommodations, and will fail about the 25th Instant.

For Freight or Passage apply to the said Master, or CORNELIUS GARRETSON, in ANNAPOLIS.

EITHER lost by the said *Garretson* to some Person, and forgot to whom; or, taken away by *Mistake* from his House, a very good HUNTING SADDLE, *English* make, with a Saddle-Cloth and Surfingle. The Person who has it is desired to return it.

RAN away from the Subscriber, in *St. Mary's* County, on the 18th of *February* last, an Irish Convict Servant Man named *Francis Kenan*, a likely well made fly insinuating Fellow, about Six Feet high, discovers his Country by his Tongue; he has a large Scar on his Throat, and a Wheezing in his Speech. It is supposed he will endeavour to Pass for one *Stephen Shifort*, having Stole his Indentures with a Discharge thereon. He is a Blacksmith by Trade. Had on a dark brown bob Wig, a light colour'd Duffel Coat with flat Metal Buttons, a Blue Half-thick Waistcoat and Breeches, with Buttons of the same Sort, but is supposed to have Stolen other Cloaths. He rode off a large Bay Horse, Shod all Fours, with a light Running Saddle half worn, without a Saddle Cloth. In Company with one *Peter Taylor*, an *Irishman*, and is supposed to be gone to *Philadelphia* or *New-York*.

Whoever takes up the said Runaway, and secures him so that his Master may have him again, shall have Four Pistoles Reward, besides what the Law allows, if taken in this Province, and Six Pistoles if taken out of it.

GEORGE PLATER.

Port-Tobacco, February 24, 1759.

THE Subscriber intending for *Europe* shortly, hereby gives Notice to all Persons who have Accounts with him at *Port-Tobacco*, or Dealings with him at *Port-Tobacco*, on Account of Messrs. *John Glassford* and Company, to come and settle the same by Bond, Bill or Note, without Delay, otherwise they may expect Trouble without Respect of Persons. He hopes that everyone who can, will discharge their Debts to the said Company before he leaves the Country, and such as cannot, will have Time given them upon proper Application. He hereby further acquaints the Public, that the said Messieurs *John Glassford* and Company's Store at *Port-Tobacco*, will be continued with the usual good Assortment of GOODS, to be sold for ready Money or Tobacco.

WILLIAM CRAWFORD.

JOHN CAMPBELL,
TAYLOR,

HEREBY gives Notice to his old Customers, and Others, That he now carries on his Business at the House where he formerly lived, (before he removed to his Plantation on the North Side of *Severn*) in *Annapolis*.

STRAYED from the Subscriber's Plantation at *Longwarr*, in *Frederick* County, some Time last Summer,

A black Cow, with a white Face, and some other white about her, she is mark'd either with a Crop in one Ear, and two under Cuts in the other, or two under Cuts in both Ears.

Also, a Brindle Bull, mark'd with two under Cuts in each Ear, has a white Face, and some other white about him.

Strayed from the same Plantation in *April* last, Five Ewes and a Ram Lamb; the Ewes have two under Cuts in one Ear, and a Crop in the other; the Lamb unmark'd.

Whoever secures the said Cattle, so that the Subscriber may get them again, shall have Ten Shillings Reward, and for the Sheep Five Shillings.

10 X JOHN HAMMOND.

STRAYED on the 28th of *December* last, from the Subscriber's Plantation, on the Western Branch of *Magothy* River, about 2 Miles above the Mouth of *Lockett's* Ferry, in *Frederick* County, a Dark Iron Grey Horse, about 5 Years old, 14 Hands high, has a short Tail, a Scar in his Forehead, and a long Scar upon his Ribs near his Flank, being torn by a Dog when young, but not branded, trots only, and lifts his fore Feet remarkably high, and his Knees behind almost strike one another.

Whoever takes up and brings back the said Horse to the Subscriber, at the Plantation aforesaid, shall receive Fifteen Shillings Reward, paid by

X 3 JOHN WATSON.

THE Subscriber hereby gives Notice to all Persons indebted to the Concern of *Edward Trafford*, Esq; and Son, at *Piscataway*, either by Bond, or Note of Hand, to make Payment as they become due, otherwise they will immediately be put in Suit. All those that have not already settled their Accounts due from them to the said Concern, and do not immediately come and discharge or settle the same, may expect to be treated in such a Manner as will not be agreeable to them.

7 GEORGE BOWDON.

JUST IMPORTED, X 9
And to be SOLD by the Subscriber in ANNAPOLIS,

A CHOICE Parcel of the very best *Madeira* WINES, in Pipes, Hogsheads and Quarter Casks.

LIKEWISE, a considerable Quantity of Sail Duck, *Germany Serlls*, and Check Linens, Loaf Sugar, *&c.* DANIEL WOLSTENHOLME.

To be SOLD by the HIGHEST BIDDER,
on Wednesday the 28th of March *last*, at UPPER-MARLBOROUGH,

A PARCEL of likely SLAVES, for ready Gold, Currency, or Bills of Exchange, by

Y DANIEL CARROLL.

THE Subscriber intending for BRITAIN soon, hereby gives Notice to all Persons who have Accounts unsettled, for Dealings or Cash have had with him at *Piscataway*, to succeed Messieurs *John Glassford* and Company, to come and settle the same by Bond, Bill, or Note, without Delay, otherwise they may expect Trouble without Respect of Persons. He hopes that every one who can, will discharge their Debts to the said Company before he leaves the Country, and such as cannot, will have Time given them upon proper Application. He hereby further acquaints the Public, that the said Messieurs *John Glassford* and Company's Store at *Piscataway*, will be continued with the usual good Assortment of GOODS, to be sold for Money or Tobacco. JAMES MARSHALL.

THE MANAGERS of the ANNAPOLIS LOTTERY, acknowledge the several Favours already given to Gentlemen in other Parts of the Province to send in Accounts of the Tickets in their Hands (printed as we propose by the Managers of the Lottery) and yet received them all, are under a Necessity of postponing the Drawing for a few Weeks. This is therefore to give Notice, that they will positively begin the Drawing on the 15th Day of the Provincial Court, being the 4th of *April* next. They have to add to that Time, it will be many of the Adventurers Loss to Prizes as above.

On Monday the 21st *Day of May next, the Subscribers will sell to the Highest Bidder, at the House of Mr. William Stevens, at London-Town,*

ABOUT 250 Acres of LAND, lying near *London-Town*, being Part of the Lands belonging to the Estate of Mr. *William Fowke*, late of said Town, deceased. For Title, enquire of the Subscribers.

JAMES MOHAT,
JAMES DICK,
JAMES NICHOLSON, } Executors.

To be SOLD at the HIGHEST BIDDER, at CHESTER-TOWN, *Kent County, for Bills of Exchange or Silver Currency, on Tuesday the* 20th *of this Instant* MARCH, *being the first Day of Court,*

A MESSUAGE or TENEMENT, called TOWNSIDE, commodiously situated in the said County, on *Chester River*, for the Grain Trade of both *Kent* and *Queen-Anne's*, being about 20 Miles from *Rock-Creek* on *Patapsco*, 8 Miles South from *Queen-Town*, 10 Miles above *Chester-Town*, and 7 Miles from the Head of the River. The Tenement consists of a good Dwelling-House with a Cellar, a good Brick Store-House with a Cellar, Kitchen, Granary, and other Out-Houses, with a good paled Garden, and about 18 Acres of excellent Pasture under good Fence. The Landing is a Quay or Wharf, where a Vessel of 200 Bushels Burthen may come and load.

The Purchaser may be entertained at the House before the Sale, on applying to the Subscriber in the Neighbourhood.

By a Special Power of Attorney from the late *Peter Comegys*, and Sons, Executors.

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